

What is claimed is:

1. A coupling comprising:

a. first and second hub assemblies, each comprising:

i. means for receiving a shaft;

ii. at least one pin; and

iii. means, comprising an opening, for receiving the pin of the other hub assembly while providing clearance therefor, thereby permitting movement of the pin within the opening to accommodate angular misalignment of the received shafts; and

b. a center member positioned between the first and second hub assemblies and comprising a plurality of openings for receiving the pins.

2. A coupling according to claim 1 in which the plurality of openings in the center member are at least as great in number as the total number of pins comprising the first and second hub assemblies.

3. A coupling according to claim 2 in which the center member is shaped as a circular disc and the plurality of openings therein are spaced radially in the disc.

4. A coupling according to claim 3 in which at least some of the plurality of openings in the center disc are sized smaller than the pin-

receiving opening comprising each of the first and second hub assemblies.

5. A coupling according to claim 1 in which the first hub assembly includes a plurality of pins and a plurality of pin-receiving openings interspersed radially with the plurality of pins.

6. A coupling according to claim 4 in which the first hub assembly includes a plurality of pins and a plurality of pin-receiving openings interspersed radially with the plurality of pins.

7. A coupling according to claim 1 in which each pin is generally cylindrically shaped and is tapered at an end remote from the hub assembly which it comprises.

8. A coupling according to claim 1 in which each pin defines an axis and in which the axis of the pin of the first hub assembly is parallel to but not coincident with the axis of the pin of the second hub assembly.

9. A coupling according to claim 8 in which the axis of the pin of the first hub assembly is offset radially approximately sixty degrees from the axis of the pin of the second hub assembly.

10. A coupling according to claim 9 in which the center member is made of elastomeric material.

11. An aircraft seat comprising the coupling of claim 1.

12. A method of accommodating angular shaft misalignment while transferring rotational motion from one shaft to another comprising:

a. providing a coupling comprising (i) first and second hub assemblies, each comprising (A) means for receiving a shaft, (B) at least one pin, and (C) means, comprising an opening, for receiving the pin of the other hub assembly while providing clearance therefor, and (ii) a center member positioned between the first and second hub assemblies and comprising a plurality of openings for receiving the pins; and

b. rotating a received shaft, accommodating angular misalignment with a shaft to which rotational motion is to be transferred by permitting movement of the pin within the opening in which it is received.